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Re: Inventor: Nital S. Patel, et al.  
Patent Application Entitled: VERSATILE SYSTEM FOR VARIANCE-BASED DATA  
ANALYSIS  
Application No.: 10/676,399

Docket No.: TI-36689  
Our File No.: 12001-1225

Dear Sir:

Enclosed for filing please find the following items relating to the above-identified application:

1. Applicants' Response to Ex parte Quayle Office Action (5 pp.);
2. Two (2) sets of Formal Drawings (6 pp.); and
3. Return postcards (2).

Please file the above-referenced documents and return the date-stamped postcards as indicated. It is believed that no additional fees are due.

If you have any questions or comments concerning any of the above, please call the undersigned at your convenience. Otherwise, please accept the enclosed.

Sincerely,

Ronald W. Burns

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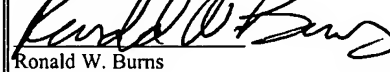
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APPLICANTS' RESPONSE TO EX PARTE QUAYLE ACTION

Dear Sir:

Applicants submit this Response to the Ex parte Quayle Office Action mailed April 11, 2005.

Applicants' Response comprises the following:

**Amendments to the Specification**, which begin on page 2 of this Response;

**Substitute Drawings**, which are addressed on page 3 of this Response, and two (2) sets of which are appended hereafter; and

**Remarks/Arguments**, which begin on page 4 of this Response.